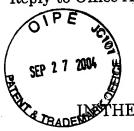
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PHYSICAL LAYER DEVICE TESTING For:

METHOD, PHYSICAL LAYER DEVICE

WITH TEST CIRCUITS, AND

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WITH TEST CIRCUITS

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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In response to the final Office Action dated March 24, 2003, the time for response to which is extended one month by the accompanying petition from June 24, 2004 to July 26, 2004 (July 24, 2004 being a Saturday), please amend the abovereferenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.